# Florida Survey of 400 Adults (general population) Conducted December 1-8, 2013 By the Saint Leo University Polling Institute Margin of Error: +/- 5% with a 95% level of confidence Some percentages may add up to more or less than 100 due to rounding

## **SCREENS:**

1. Are you currently a resident of Florida and 18 years of age or older?

100 % Yes (continue)

## **SECTION 1: Politics, campaigns, and elections**

The following questions have an N of 318 and include only "likely voters," that is, those individuals who said they vote "all of the time" or "most of the time."

3. How would you rate the job Barack Obama has been doing as President... do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove of the job he's been doing?

15 %	Strongly approve
29 %	Somewhat approve
14 %	Somewhat disapprove
39 %	Strongly disapprove
3 %	Not sure / don't know

	Likely	R	1	D	М	F	<40	40-	65+	Con	Mod	Lib	H/L	Wht	Blk
Strongly approve	15	5	5	30	10	19	21	13	12	7	15	27	15	9	47
Somewhat approve	29	6	26	43	26	27	31	31	18	11	30	45	39	25	32
Somewhat	14	14	20	16	17	16	20	19	10	11	18	15	19	17	11
disapprove															
Strongly disapprove	39	73	41	5	45	29	14	31	59	68	33	7	16	43	0
Subgroup size (N)	318	118	128	154	188	212	179	179	131	123	162	84	85	337	47

4. How would you rate the job Congress is doing? Do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove of the job it's been doing?

2 %	Strongly approve
9 %	Somewhat approve
23 %	Somewhat disapprove
60 %	Strongly disapprove
3 %	Not sure / don't know

#### Select crosstabs:

	Likely	R	I	D	М	F	<40	40-	65+	Con	Mod	Lib	H/L	Wht	Blk
Strongly approve	2	2	2	3	1	3	10	0	0	1	2	4	8	1	4
Somewhat approve	9	6	5	15	3	14	21	8	2	8	9	11	18	7	21
Somewhat	23	24	22	23	20	25	23	27	17	28	20	20	24	22	26
disapprove															
Strongly disapprove	60	67	59	47	71	44	26	56	77	56	64	55	35	62	30
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5. What is your opinion of the Tea Party movement? Would you say it is very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable?

8 %	Very favorable
18 %	Somewhat favorable
21 %	Somewhat unfavorable
38 %	Very unfavorable
14 %	Don't know / unsure

	Likely	R	I	D	М	F	<40	40-	65+	Con	Mod	Lib	H/L	Wht	Blk
Very favorable	8	19	5	1	7	8	5	9	7	19	4	1	4	9	0
Somewhat	18	28	17	8	20	14	13	15	23	28	15	7	24	18	6
favorable															
Somewhat	21	23	18	18	22	17	24	16	20	24	19	18	18	19	26
unfavorable															
Very unfavorable	38	9	33	55	36	33	24	39	36	11	42	62	22	33	47
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6. If you knew that a member of Congress had voted for the Affordable Care Act, often known as Obamacare, would this make you more likely to vote to re-elect him or her, less likely to vote to re-elect him or her, or does it make no difference to how you would vote?

17 %	Much more likely to vote for him or her
15 %	Somewhat more likely to vote for him or her
13 %	Somewhat less likely to vote for him or her
33 %	Much less likely to vote for him or her
15 %	Would make no difference to my vote
6 %	Don't know unsure

	Likely	R	1	D	М	F	<40	40-	65+	Con	Mod	Lib	H/L	Wht	Blk
Much more likely	17	6	10	27	15	16	14	16	15	7	15	35	14	14	26
Somewhat more likely	15	3	12	25	15	14	14	18	8	6	20	18	21	12	23
Somewhat less likely	13	19	15	11	12	17	14	15	15	21	14	7	15	16	6
Much less likely	33	58	36	6	37	25	18	27	44	58	26	11	18	35	4
No difference	15	9	13	22	15	15	23	13	13	3	19	21	18	12	28
Subgroup size (N)	318	118	128	154	188	212	179	179	131	123	162	84	85	337	47

Next, I'd like to get your overall opinion of some people in the news. Please indicate if you have a strongly favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or not at all favorable opinion of these people. If you haven't heard of them or don't know enough about them to have an opinion, just indicate so.

Name			Strongly	Somewhat	Somewhat	Not at all
			Favorable	Favorable	Unfavorable	Favorable
7.	Former Secretary of	All Likely (N=318)	30	29	10	27
	State Hillary Clinton	All Rs (N=118)	8	16	16	55
		All Is (N=128)	16	34	13	21
		All Ds (N=154)	53	36	3	3
8.	Vice President	All Likely (N=318)	14	36	12	32
	Joe Biden	All Rs (N=118)	4	18	17	57
		All Is (N=128)	5	29	16	30
		All Ds (N=154)	28	49	7	7
9.	Massachusetts	All Likely (N=318)	10	15	11	17
	Senator Elizabeth	All Rs (N=118)	1	7	15	25
	Warren	All Is (N=128)	3	15	13	19
		All Ds (N=154)	21	18	7	6
10.	Maryland Governor	All Likely (N=318)	2	11	16	11
	Martin O'Malley	All Rs (N=118)	0	5	16	14
		All Is (N=128)	1	9	16	15
		All Ds (N=154)	4	16	12	5
11.	Kentucky Senator	All Likely (N=318)	9	23	15	26
	Rand Paul	All Rs (N=118)	19	36	15	12
		All Is (N=128)	5	22	15	17
		All Ds (N=154)	1	9	15	40
12.	New Jersey	All Likely (N=318)	19	36	16	13
	Governor Chris	All Rs (N=118)	25	43	11	8
	Christie	All Is (N=128)	17	31	10	12
		All Ds (N=154)	7	32	19	14
13.	Wisconsin	All Likely (N=318)	15	24	12	28
	Congressman Paul	All Rs (N=118)	33	39	6	7
	Ryan	All Is (N=128)	6	23	12	22
		All Ds (N=154)	3	9	14	41
14.	Texas Senator Ted	All Likely (N=318)	12	16	11	34
	Cruz	All Rs (N=118)	21	32	8	10
		All Is (N=128)	12	11	14	28
		All Ds (N=154)	1	8	8	47

15. In political terms, do you consider yourself to be a Republican, Democrat, Independent, or member of some other party?

30 %	Republican
39 %	Democrat
23 %	Independent
2 %	Some other party
8 %	Don't know / not sure

The following question has an N of 100 and includes only self-identified Republicans who are also "likely voters," that is, those individuals who said they vote "all of the time" or "most of the time." Respondents could select multiple individuals.

16. We know it's early, but thinking about the presidential election in 2016...here is a list of potential candidates who may run for the Republican nomination. If the Republican primary for president were held today, which of the following could you support for the Republican nomination? Please indicate all that apply:

44 %	Former Florida Governor Jeb Bush
42 %	Florida Senator Marco Rubio
38 %	New Jersey Governor Chris Christie
30 %	Kentucky Senator Rand Paul
28 %	Wisconsin Congressman Paul Ryan
24 %	Texas Senator Ted Cruz
19 %	Louisiana Governor Bobby Jindal
17 %	Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker
13 %	Former Pennsylvania Senator Rick Santorum
5 %	Former Ambassador John Bolton
3 %	Ohio Governor John Kasich
3 %	New York Congressman Peter King
2 %	Ohio Senator Rob Portman
8 %	Someone else

The following question has an N of 113 and includes only self-identified Democrats who are also "likely voters," that is, those individuals who said they vote "all of the time" or "most of the time." Respondents could select multiple individuals.

17. We know it's early, but thinking about the presidential election in 2016...here is a list of potential candidates who may run for the Democratic nomination. If the Democratic primary for president were held today, which of the following could you support for the Democratic nomination? Please indicate all that apply:

89 %	Former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton
34 %	Vice President Joe Biden
23 %	New York Governor Andrew Cuomo
19 %	Massachusetts Senator Elizabeth Warren
11 %	New Jersey Senator Corey Booker
7 %	Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley
6 %	Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick
4 %	Minnesota Senator Amy Klobuchar
4 %	Virginia Senator Mark Warner
11 %	Someone else

# **FLORIDA Politics**

49 How would you rate the job Rick Scott has been doing as Governor... do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove of the job he's been doing?

10 %	Strongly approve
28 %	Somewhat approve
17 %	Somewhat disapprove
35 %	Strongly disapprove
11 %	Don't know / unsure

#### Select crosstabs:

	Likely	R	1	D	М	F	<40	40-	65+	Con	Mod	Lib	H/L	Wht	Blk
Strongly approve	10	19	7	0	9	7	2	8	12	20	5	0	6	9	2
Somewhat	28	44	27	18	30	27	26	27	30	41	27	13	26	31	19
approve															
Somewhat	17	18	16	17	19	16	23	13	19	13	20	19	14	18	15
disapprove															
Strongly	35	8	27	51	31	30	18	37	30	12	34	58	26	29	43
disapprove															
Subgroup size (N)	318	118	128	154	188	212	179	179	131	123	162	84	85	337	47

50 How would you rate the job Marco Rubio has been doing as Senator... do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove of the job he's been doing?

14 %	Strongly approve
31 %	Somewhat approve
17 %	Somewhat disapprove
24 %	Strongly disapprove
14 %	Don't know / unsure

	Likely	R	ı	D	М	F	<40	40-	65+	Con	Mod	Lib	H/L	Wht	Blk
Strongly approve	14	31	9	1	15	9	6	11	18	30	4	4	14	14	2
Somewhat	31	45	23	23	26	33	23	31	31	37	32	18	26	31	26
approve															
Somewhat	17	8	17	19	21	10	17	15	15	12	19	18	8	15	19
disapprove															
Strongly	24	4	21	38	23	22	17	22	27	8	26	43	21	22	28
disapprove															
Subgroup size (N)	318	118	128	154	188	212	179	179	131	123	162	84	85	337	47

51 How would you rate the job Bill Nelson has been doing as Senator... do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove of the job he's been doing?

12 %	Strongly approve
36 %	Somewhat approve
18 %	Somewhat disapprove
15 %	Strongly disapprove
19 %	Don't know / unsure

#### Select crosstabs:

	Likely	R	1	D	М	F	<40	40-	65+	Con	Mod	Lib	H/L	Wht	Blk
Strongly approve	12	4	6	17	10	10	6	11	18	3	10	21	7	10	13
Somewhat	36	30	27	43	36	32	23	31	31	27	41	36	27	34	38
approve															
Somewhat	18	26	17	8	18	15	17	15	15	22	18	7	13	18	9
disapprove															
Strongly	15	22	15	5	19	8	17	22	27	28	6	10	12	14	6
disapprove															
Subgroup size (N)	318	118	128	154	188	212	179	179	131	123	162	84	85	337	47

52 If Governor Scott runs for re-election in the year 2014, will you probably vote for Governor Scott or will you probably vote for the Democratic candidate?

16 %	Definitely will vote for Governor Scott
18 %	Probably will vote for Governor Scott
12 %	Probably will NOT vote for Governor Scott
39 %	Definitely will NOT vote for Governor Scott
15 %	Don't know / unsure

	Likely	R	ı	D	М	F	<40	40-	65+	Con	Mod	Lib	H/L	Wht	Blk
Strongly approve	16	31	12	3	16	12	5	12	24	37	7	0	12	17	2
Somewhat	18	28	15	7	18	14	15	17	15	23	15	10	13	17	11
approve															
Somewhat	12	8	15	12	14	10	14	10	11	11	15	8	12	12	11
disapprove															
Strongly	39	13	28	60	36	36	23	41	38	11	41	69	32	34	53
disapprove															
Subgroup size (N)	318	118	128	154	188	212	179	179	131	123	162	84	85	337	47

53 If Senator Nelson runs for re-election in the year 2018, will you probably vote for Senator Nelson or will you probably vote for the Republican candidate?

18 %	Definitely will vote for Senator Nelson
25 %	Probably will vote for Senator Nelson
14 %	Probably will NOT vote for Senator Nelson
20 %	Definitely will NOT vote for Senator Nelson
23 %	Don't know / unsure

#### Select crosstabs:

	Likely	R	ı	D	М	F	<40	40-	65+	Con	Mod	Lib	H/L	Wht	Blk
Strongly approve	18	9	8	25	18	12	5	19	16	7	18	23	9	14	23
Somewhat	25	16	18	36	25	24	21	25	25	14	28	35	22	23	30
approve															
Somewhat	14	19	9	10	14	11	13	12	11	19	12	8	13	13	13
disapprove															
Strongly	20	33	20	4	23	13	11	14	26	41	7	6	13	20	2
disapprove															
Subgroup size (N)	318	118	128	154	188	212	179	179	131	123	162	84	85	337	47

54 If Senator Rubio runs for re-election in the year 2016, will you probably vote for Senator Rubio or will you probably vote for the Democratic candidate?

21 %	Definitely will vote for Senator Rubio
19 %	Probably will vote for Senator Rubio
11 %	Probably will NOT vote for Senator Rubio
29 %	Definitely will NOT vote for Senator Rubio
20 %	Don't know / unsure

	Likely	R	ı	D	М	F	<40	40-	65+	Con	Mod	Lib	H/L	Wht	Blk
Strongly approve	21	44	14	1	22	14	7	16	27	40	11	2	16	21	2
Somewhat	19	25	15	16	18	19	19	18	18	22	21	12	19	18	21
approve															
Somewhat	11	3	12	14	13	8	11	9	11	8	12	13	11	11	9
disapprove															
Strongly	29	6	21	45	27	25	17	27	30	11	28	48	20	24	38
disapprove															
Subgroup size (N)	318	118	128	154	188	212	179	179	131	123	162	84	85	337	47

55 If the election for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were Rick Scott the Republican or Charlie Crist the Democrat, for whom would you vote?

34 %	Rick Scott
46 %	Charlie Crist
20 %	Don't know / unsure

#### Select crosstabs:

	Likely	R	ı	D	М	F	<40	40-	65+	Con	Mod	Lib	H/L	Wht	Blk
Rick Scott	34	65	27	5	33	27	18	26	42	61	23	5	19	34	11
Charlie Crist	46	17	36	66	43	42	32	46	43	19	54	63	34	40	60
Subgroup size (N)	318	118	128	154	188	212	179	179	131	123	162	84	85	337	47

56 If the election for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were Rick Scott the Republican or Nan Rich the Democrat, for whom would you vote?

36 %	Rick Scott
31 %	Nan Rich
32 %	Don't know / unsure

	Likely	R	1	D	М	F	<40	40-	65+	Con	Mod	Lib	H/L	Wht	Blk
Rick Scott	36	66	28	10	38	27	29	27	40	63	26	8	21	36	19
Charlie Crist	31	8	17	52	27	29	15	33	28	8	35	51	27	26	45
Subgroup size (N)	318	118	128	154	188	212	179	179	131	123	162	84	85	337	47

Next, I'd like to get your overall opinion of some people in the news. As I read each name, please say if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of these people If you haven't heard of them or don't know enough about them to have an opinion, just say so.

Name		Strongly	Somewhat	Somewhat	Not at all
		Favorable	Favorable	Unfavorable	Favorable
57. Governor Rick	All Likely (N=318)	12	27	16	36
Scott	All Rs (N=118)	24	44	14	10
	All Is (N=128)	5	24	18	27
	All Ds (N=154)	3	14	15	52
58. Senator Marco	All Likely (N=318)	18	28	20	23
Rubio	All Rs (N=118)	37	40	5	7
	All Is (N=128)	9	22	20	19
	All Ds (N=154)	3	19	24	34
59. Senator Bill	All Likely (N=318)	12	35	20	16
Nelson	All Rs (N=118)	6	27	27	25
	All Is (N=128)	5	27	19	14
	All Ds (N=154)	18	40	10	5
60. Former	All Likely (N=318)	22	31	10	23
Governor	All Rs (N=118)	9	29	8	41
Charlie Crist	All Is (N=128)	12	23	16	21
	All Ds (N=154)	30	36	9	3
61. Former State	All Likely (N=318)	5	22	10	8
Senator Nan	All Rs (N=118)	4	13	13	11
Rich	All Is (N=128)	1	10	12	9
	All Ds (N=154)	6	35	6	2

62 Do you think texting while driving should be considered a primary offense – that is, something that a police officer can stop someone for and to cite them for – or a secondary offense – that is, something an officer can cite someone for only in the context of another offense, such as speeding or having a missing headlight?

77 %	Texting while driving should be treated as a primary offense
19 %	Texting while driving should be treated as a secondary offense
1 %	Texting while driving should not be considered any kind of offense
%	Don't know / unsure

## **DEMOGRAPHICS**

The following questions are used for statistical purposes only.

38 Are you male or female?

47 %	Male
53 %	Female

39 What is your age?

10 %	18-29
11 %	30-39
13 %	40-49
32 %	50-64
33 %	65 or older

40 Would you describe your political views as very conservative, conservative, moderate, liberal, or very liberal?

7 %	Very conservative
24 %	Conservative
41 %	Moderate
17 %	Liberal
5 %	Very liberal
8 %	Don't know / not sure

41 Are you Hispanic or Latino?

21 %	Yes
79 %	No

42 Which one of these groups would you say best represents your race?

84 %	White
12 %	Black or African-American
%	Asian
%	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
%	American Indian or Alaka Native
4 %	Other

43 What is your highest grade of school completed?

0 %	Eighth grade or less
2 %	Some high school
18 %	High school graduate or GED
2 %	Some technical school
8 %	Technical school graduate
30 %	Some college
28 %	College graduate
13 %	Post-graduate or professional degree

44 Please tell me which religion you belong to or follow?

26 %	Catholic
26 %	Protestant (Baptist, Lutheran, Congregational, Presbyterian)
17 %	Christian (non-denominational)
0 %	Greek Orthodox
5 %	Jewish
1 %	Buddhist
1 %	Muslim
1 %	Latter Day Saint / Mormon
6 %	Other
18 %	No preference / no religious affiliation
0 %	Don't know / unsure

45 How important is religion in your life: very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important?

38 %	Very important	
30 %	Somewhat important	
15 %	Not too important	
15 %	Not at all important	
1 %	Don't know / unsure	

46 Which of the following categories best describes your total family income before taxes?

5 %	Under \$9,999
32 %	\$10,000 to less than \$40,000
32 %	\$40,000 to less than \$70,000
15 %	\$70,000 to less than \$100,000
6 %	\$100,000 to less than \$130,000
2 %	\$130,000 to less than \$160,000
1 %	\$160,000 or more
6 %	Don't know / unsure

47 Please indicate the number of children you have living at home under the age of 18.

74 %	None
10 %	One
9 %	Two
4 %	Three
1 %	Four
1 %	Five or more

48 Please indicate the device you are using to complete this survey. Is it...

44 %	A desktop computer
48 % A laptop computer	
4 %	A smart phone
4 %	A tablet or pad
0 %	Other